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VIA ELECTRONIC CASE FILING

The Honorable Jose L. Linares
United States District Judge
United States District Court
District of New Jersey
Martin Luther King, Jr., Building
and Courthouse
50 Walnut Street
Newark, New Jersey 07102

RE: <u>United States v. Wei Zhou</u>, Crim. No. 12-395

Dear Judge Linares:

The Government respectfully requests an extension until December 19, 2012 of the deadline to file its opposition brief in the above-captioned matter.

Due to circumstances surrounding Hurricane Sandy, the defense brief was filed this past Thursday, November 15, 2012. Under the original briefing schedule, the Government's brief is due November 20, 2012. Defense counsel has no objection to the requested extension of the Government's filing deadline.

Thank you very much for your consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL J. FISHMAN United States Attorney

s/ Osmar J. Benvenuto

SO ORDERED: DATED:__//

By: OSMAR J. BENVENUTO

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